

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) A method for coating articles with coating material, the method including dispensing coating material from a coating dispensing device, maintaining the coating dispensing device at high-magnitude electrostatic potential, coupling articles to a conveyor on hangers constructed from electrically non-insulative strips of foil or tape, and conveying the articles through the dispensed coating material on the hangers.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 11 wherein coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from electrically non-insulative strips of foil or tape includes coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from strips of foil or tape treated to render them electrically non-insulative.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12 wherein coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from strips of foil or tape treated to render them electrically non-insulative includes coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from strips of foil or tape treated on two sides to render two sides electrically non-insulative.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from strips of foil or tape treated to render them electrically non-insulative includes coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from strips of foil or tape including two opposite ends, and further including providing an electrically non-insulative adhesive on one side adjacent the two ends.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14 further including attaching a strip using the adhesive to two sides of a respective article, thereby creating a loop for suspending the respective article from the conveyor.

16. (Original) The method of claim 14 wherein treating the strips of foil or tape to render them electrically non-insulative includes metallizing the strips of foil or tape to render them electrically non-insulative.

17. (Original) The method of claim 12 further including providing an electrically non-insulative adhesive on one side of each strip adjacent two opposite ends thereof.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17 further including attaching a strip to two sides of a respective article, creating a loop for suspending the respective article from the conveyor.

19. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein treating the strips of foil or tape to render them electrically non-insulative includes metallizing the strips of foil or

tape to render them electrically non-insulative.

20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 11 wherein coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from electrically non-insulative strips of foil or tape includes coupling articles to the conveyor on hangers constructed from flexible, electrically non-insulative strips of foil or tape.

21-33. (Cancelled)